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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1948-49, 1949-50 and 1950-51, and monthly production for the latest six months (September, 1951 to February, 1952) are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. The names of these authorities are given in full below. Figures up to 1948-49 inclusive are taken from the Government Statistician's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June, 30th, each year.

The scope of the bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities:-

C. & A. Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.

F.A. Forest Authorities.

G.S. Commonwealth or State Statistician.

J.C.B. Joint Coal Board.

M.D. State Department of Mines.

M.P.D. State Building Materials Procurement Directorate.

T. & C. Commonwealth Department of Trade & Customs.

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Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
			Year				1951				1952	
			1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FUEL: Briquettes	G.S.	Tons	33,329	46,558	48,464	42,617	50,368	53,231	45,512	28,918	46,486	47,957
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	12,900	11,684	*10,430	*14,207	*14,979	*13,470	* 9,107	10,500	11,500
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	585,044	634,997	*608,346	*674,604	*706,183	666,637	549,029	639,956	664,988
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:												
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	Mill.Cu.Ft.	594	1,009	884	943	1,077	1,060	966	957	913	
Total Electricity Generated	G.S.	Mill.K.W.H.	102	209	226	237	242	250	238	222	* 222	234
BUILDING MATERIALS:												
Clay Bricks	M.P.D.	'000	16,437	12,754	11,543	12,854	13,489	14,040	15,799	10,512	11,275	
Fibrous Plaster Sheets (a)	M.P.D.	'000 Sq.Yds.	273	510	450	420	431	491	440	305	320	
Tiles - Cement	M.P.D.	'000	252	1,290	1,539	1,680	1,936	2,262	2,198	1,686	1,555	
- Terra Cotta	M.P.D.	'000	1,145	915	943	981	1,037	1,184	1,094	814	867	
Sawn Native Timber	F.A.	'000 Sup.Ft.	10,016	23,488	26,173	*26,476	23,811	27,214	27,160	27,228		
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:												
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	G.S.	Gals.	15,415	89,746	96,800	124,131	138,328	140,873	134,855	90,580	87,622	115,882
Lacquers (Nitro-Cell)	G.S.	"	12,725	19,371	20,617	23,103	25,486	28,842	26,176	19,162	23,066	23,788
Enamels (Nat. & Syn)	G.S.	"	5,251	34,572	42,185	45,469	56,462	65,157	57,636	46,509	38,930	40,601
Water Paints	G.S.	lb.	54,897	86,009	107,801	101,433	152,540	140,222	172,045	132,383	101,407	133,165
Soap - Household	G.S.	cwt.	16,024	16,592	(b)17,432	19,153	20,237	22,459	17,741	15,144	16,973	20,048
Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	3,934	4,647	4,726	4,497	5,374	4,502	3,728	3,792	5,598
Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,940	(c)	2,701	2,412	2,458	2,078	1,759	1,834	2,734
Industrial	G.S.	"	..	3,008	)	4,097	4,043	4,686	4,545	4,405	4,107	4,959
Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	673	) 4,967	1,906	1,048	* 1,692	* 1,628	* 1,112	* 903	1,179
Soft	G.S.	"	445	486	)	565	697	579	692	521	474	632
Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,663	)	2,216	2,502	2,856	2,539	2,563	2,313	2,273
Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	20,746	23,242	25,517	30,171	*42,404	*31,283	*25,100	*28,285	35,473
Superphosphate	C&A	Tons	39,854	49,679	51,497	51,564	44,054	55,631	52,685	50,895	63,279	
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	G.S.	"	16,543	19,333	19,945	20,223	16,297	21,428	20,935	21,906	22,927	17,832
REFINED METALS: Gold	M.D.	Fine Ozs.	12,373	5,540	5,214	5,386	* 5,159	5,218	5,354	4,872	3,826	5,491
BUILDING FITTINGS:												
Stoves - Solid Fuel (d)	G.S.	Number	1,439	914	931	1,253	1,421	1,669	1,557	1,016	928	1,493
- Gas (d)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,460	1,343	1,374	1,226	1,607	1,386	884	757	597
Coppers- Gas	G.S.	"	..	359	709	828	558	743	527	497	223	576
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	523	759	793	697	735	690	449	355	682
Gas	G.S.	"	..	458	247	712	314	792	622	312	483	472
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	4,008	4,176	5,390	5,268	5,972	5,717	4,159	3,732	5,674
PEDAL CYCLES: (made &/or assembled)	G.S.	"	..	..	..	4,130	3,319	3,861	4,243	3,951	2,349	2,437

(a) Factory production only. (b) Includes Flakes & Chips. (c) Included with "Soap - Household".

(d) Household and commercial cooking stoves in 1938-39, thereafter household cooking stoves only.

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			Year				1951				1952	
			1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (a)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	number	..	3,729	4,170	6,579	8,901	9,374	8,319	7,250	5,478	6,922
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	G.S.	"	..	634	985	776	497	648	783	850	466	1,119
2½ " " 5 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	505	398	443	269	160	136	195	500
5 " " 10 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	158	179	121	461	197	188	118	95
COTTON SEWING THREAD (counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	..	..	42,257	65,747	85,891	78,714	79,609	43,144	45,465	59,349
COTTON TWEEDS	G.S.	Sq.yds	154,435	68,863	79,003	81,042	93,040	91,673	95,691	65,703	84,427	87,781
WOOL TEXTILES: Scoured Wool (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	3,172	5,153	*5,261	*4,701	*3,447	*4,451	*4,154	*3,294	3,662	4,176
Wool Tops	G.S.	" "	936	1,323	1,166	1,135	1,139	1,362	972	655	648	717
Yarn - Worsted	G.S.	" "	612	1,137	1,092	1,027	1,073	1,119	870	572	546	636
- Woollen	G.S.	" "	731	1,186	1,173	1,018	1,034	1,179	934	653	553	719
Woven Cloth	G.S.	'000 Sq.yds	1,415	1,891	1,749	1,634	1,619	1,716	1,384	1,094	991	1,267
HOSIERY: Women's, Maids', Girls'												
Fully Fashioned & Circular	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	..	..	81,134	92,498	108,012	121,252	101,143	75,075	73,577	96,975
Anklelets	G.S.	" "	..	..	21,659	24,578	22,935	29,513	23,536	14,722	12,349	14,932
Men's & Boys'	G.S.	" "	..	..	87,976	104,983	121,554	136,951	107,920	87,165	56,116	87,523
Children's	G.S.	" "	..	..	32,651	36,527	35,509	42,333	34,842	25,136	29,371	26,658
KNITTED UNDERWEAR(c): Men's	G.S.	Doz.	(d)91,941	24,064	39,879	36,324	47,359	53,468	44,338	31,092	29,274	34,176
Women's	G.S.	"	(e)	62,523	77,575	74,732	79,948	94,332	87,430	52,096	51,681	75,864
Children's	G.S.	"	(e)	16,103	25,140	25,618	26,815	38,364	29,593	18,705	21,179	27,856
KNITTED OUTERWEAR: (c)												
Cardigans, Jumpers, Sweaters, etc.												
Men's and Women's	G.S.	"	16,301	18,487	20,400	24,053	28,999	28,784	22,468	16,926	15,286	22,192
Boys' and Girls'	G.S.	"	4,420	8,404	6,706	7,270	11,141	11,631	9,015	7,168	5,382	7,587
Bathing Suits	G.S.	"	1,944	1,757	1,839	1,264	2,845	3,158	2,619	1,083	296	74
CLOTHING (except knitted):												
Shirts - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	22,581	21,968	23,963	26,634	29,170	37,178	37,482	29,728	20,847	29,535
Pyjama Suits - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	6,097	6,637	6,380	5,299	6,139	6,190	7,465	4,294	5,093	6,805
GLOVES (not rubber)												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	77	2,605	1,510	1,612	1,178	788	917	689	456	663
Other	G.S.	" "	..	1,788	2,007	2,458	2,738	3,039	3,986	2,066	1,382	2,036
Work	G.S.	" "	1,187	1,309	1,211	1,216	1,446	1,471	1,955	1,251	1,126	1,742
FOOTWEAR (not rubber)												
Boots & Shoes	G.S.	'000 Prs.	622	610	634	670	710	780	714	486	478	639
Sandals	G.S.	" "	..	65	51	61	82	96	94	58	34	22
Slippers	G.S.	" "	352	379	358	361	400	387	343	209	223	263

(a) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.

(b) Includes carbonised wool.

(c) Made in knitting mills.

(d) Includes women's and children's.

(e) Included in Men's.

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			Year				1951				1952	
			1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:												
Flour (from Wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	36,402	38,982	36,195	37,467	44,259	47,015	43,517	39,928	46,134	45,267
Bran (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,937	8,240	6,973	7,226	8,803	9,497	8,939	8,193	9,225	8,994
Pollard (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	8,222	7,258	*7,381	9,157	9,539	8,826	8,261	9,249	8,927
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb.	1,697	2,677	2,731	2,843	3,205	3,657	3,444	2,765	2,290	3,604
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	G.S.	" "	1,121	2,172	2,664	2,237	2,355	2,303	1,666	1,005	1,072	1,629
- Other	G.S.	" "	1,589	1,862	2,114	2,099	2,315	2,635	2,667	1,851	1,721	2,322
Beef and Veal	G.S.	Tons	9,499	9,835	10,551	11,263	10,554	11,609	11,648	10,587	11,662	12,406
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	4,415	5,569	3,850	2,691	4,906	7,872	6,215	3,992	2,807
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	5,147	6,708	4,633	3,381	4,824	6,071	7,039	7,772	7,577
Pork	G.S.	"	897	719	546	701	585	746	793	1,044	694	718
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight)	G.S.	"	614	850	661	644	535	599	782	689	581	587
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	21,271	24,273	21,322	17,939	22,900	27,448	25,822	24,910	24,306
Butter (factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	5,003	5,292	4,838	6,274	9,097	9,005	8,037	6,351	4,452
Cheese (factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,529	1,774	1,898	2,510	3,534	3,547	3,335	2,380	1,567
Processed Milk Products (a)	G.S.	"	..	5,379	5,708	5,192	7,091	9,865	10,330	9,204	7,086	4,908
Ice Cream	G.S.	Galls.	88,801	321,363	234,389	430,418	395,285	491,764	514,733	584,619	747,349	623,754
Beer	T&C	'000 Galls.	2,621	3,663	4,155	4,454	4,228	5,065	4,893	4,850	5,542	5,210
Oatmeal and Rolled or Crushed Oats	G.S.	Cwt.	11,786	16,241	14,814	11,808	4,142	3,559	4,429	2,093	3,350	6,322
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	10,141	11,684	10,335	8,979	11,801	11,885	9,126	9,856	12,098
Edible Starch (Maize and wheat)	G.S.	"	..	7,514	8,208	8,298	6,023	7,741	5,417	7,482	5,879	8,735
Margarine - Table	G.S.	"	1,871	1,566	1,656	* 945	1,023	1,100	1,143	747	951	1,093
- Other	G.S.	"	5,403	5,875	5,735	*4,810	6,705	6,350	5,272	5,127	3,917	5,105
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	G.S.	Bushel(40 lb.)	202,093	272,558	307,091	307,698	316,622	326,821	325,121	293,578	300,037	280,197
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	4,131	6,314	5,809	5,609	3,601	2,889	2,399	4,452	15,844	8,622
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (b)	G.S.	" "	7,901	7,286	7,790	8,139	-	-	-	1,002	14,702	26,115
Green Peas	G.S.	" "	80	342	225	293	-	-	1,565	2,692	1,319	..
Other Vegetables (c)	G.S.	" "	333	1,371	1,704	2,350	*3,409	2,999	1,912	1,375	1,391	1,527
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes (d)	T&C	" "	634	813	850	867	1,248	457	957	767	862	870
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	Number	1,757	4,110	3,990	4,473	3,386	3,649	3,274	2,701	2,152	3,316
MATTRESSES:												
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring	G.S.	"	..	5,467	5,581	7,520	7,486	9,479	7,212	5,965	5,401	8,651
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	639	3,933	4,783	7,203	7,377	5,294	6,026	5,815	4,942	8,132
Soft Filled & Other	G.S.	"	..	9,889	10,015	11,576	8,232	8,029	7,093	5,584	4,906	7,379
FLOOR COVERINGS:												
Wool Felt & Carpets	G.S.	Sq. Yds.	..	74,629	107,006	130,202	144,630	150,480	107,947	61,679	67,335	91,245

(a) Includes Infant's and Invalid's Food.

(b) Includes Tasmanian Production.

(c) Excludes all Tomato products.

(d) Victorian factory production to 1948-49, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid.